

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Stephen Alan Foxon
Serial No.: 10/816,390
Filing Date: March 31, 2004
Group Art Unit: 1772
Title: IMPROVEMENTS RELATING TO THE
CONSTRUCTION OF PLAYING SURFACES

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR STATUS

Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the above-identified patent application. Applicant received an Updated Filing Receipt dated September 1, 2004. To date, however, Applicant has not received any communication on the merits. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully inquires about the status of the present application and, in particular, requests notice of when the first Office Action on the merits will be issued.

REMARKS


Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and a Notification under either 35 U.S.C. §§ 132 or 151 has not been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at 214.953.6507.

Respectfully submitted,

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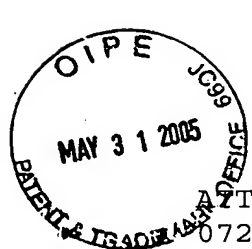
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